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Zoltan G. TURI

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:

Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_.

[ ] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_ but not considered.

[ ] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_.

b. Enclosed are:

- [X] Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.
- [X] Request for Approval of Drawing Changes and a copy of Figure 4.

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[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).	
[]	Information Disclosure Statement	
r 1	Form PTO-1449 with copies of	listed reference(s)

## Miscellaneous:

[ ] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

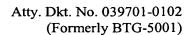
The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present	. =.	Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)	)					\$750.00		\$750.00
Total Claims:	197	184	_	13	x	\$18.00	=	\$234.00
Independents:	64	26	_	38	x	\$84.00	=	\$3,192.00
First presentatio	n of any Multiple I	Dependent Clair	ms:		_ +	\$280.00	=	\$0.00
				CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:			=	\$ 4,176.00

## [X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]	
\$0.00	\$410.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]	
\$930.00	\$930.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[X]	
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\$2,553.00	ract ½ of above):	[ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		
\$0.00	C.F.R. § 1.103(c)	[ ] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		
\$2,553.00	TOTAL FEE:	TOTAL FEE:		

- [X] A check in the amount of \$2,553.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.



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